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Title of Application	Anti-Microbial Packaging Polymer and Its Method of Use
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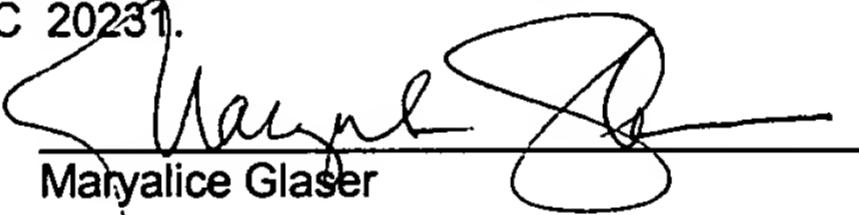
Preliminary Amendment

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Amendment Revisions

Clean Version of Each Added Claim

Please add the following new claims:

G.W.B. 36. A composition comprising:

a synthetic organic polymer matrix having bound or complexed thereto a contact-killing, non leaching, charged antimicrobial side chain such that the antimicrobial side chain does not release biocidal amounts of elutables into the surrounding environment.

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Sub C' 37. The composition of claim 36 wherein said synthetic organic polymer matrix is selected from the group consisting of polyamide, polyethylene, polyvinylidene chloride,

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